

## NOTES ON GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

### **Amphibia, Anura, *Aplastodiscus perviridis* (Hylidae): range extension for Rio Grande do Sul, southern Brazil**

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The knowledge about amphibians in Rio Grande do Sul state is fragmented and most studies have basically taxonomic approaches (Garcia and Vinciprova 2003). Many other aspects of the anuran fauna of the state remain unknown, such as the distribution patterns of the species (Di-Bernardo et al. 2004). The current knowledge on the biogeography of the amphibians from the central region of Rio Grande do Sul state is based on a limited number of publications (e. g., Braun and Braun 1980; Cechin et al. 2002). Recently, field studies were carried out in this region by the authors, at the municipality of Itaara. Based on the specimens collected during this survey, we are expanding the range distribution of an anuran species up to the central portion of Rio Grande do Sul state.

On 20 November 2005 we observed one, and on 10 December 2005 two, calling males of *Aplastodiscus perviridis* in the municipality of Itaara (29°32'15 S; 53°47'30 W), at 420 m above sea level (Figure 1). Specimens were deposited in the Herpetological Collection of the Universidade Federal de Santa Maria (UFSM) (ZUFMS 4271). Up to date, this species was known to occur in the northern and northeastern Serra Geral in Rio Grande do Sul state (Braun and Braun 1980; Garcia et al. 2001; Kwet 2001) and in Misiones, Argentina (Ceí 1980). These new records from Itaara extend the distribution range of the species in 225 km toward the south, from the municipality of Lagoa Vermelha located in the north portion of the state.

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**Figure 1.** Male of *Aplastodiscus perviridis*, municipality of Itaara, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

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